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COMPANIES FORM No. 169

Return by a company purch its own shares



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Pursuant to section 169 of the Companies Act 1985



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Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering

* insert full name

of company

Name of company

PLC ASTRAZENECA

To the Registrar of Companies

(Address overleaf)

Note

This return must be delivered to the Registrar within a period of 28 days beginning with the first date on which shares to which it relates were delivered to the company

Shares were purchased by the company under section 162 of the above Act as follows:

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	Class of shares	ORDINARY	,
d	Number of shares purchased	130,000	
	Nominal value of each share	US\$ 0.25	
	Date(s) on which the shares were delivered to the company	28/09/01	
	Maximum prices paid § for each share	2964.4948p	
	Minimum prices paid § for each share	2964.4948p	

§ A private company is not required to give this information

> The aggregate amount paid by the company for the shares to which this return relates was:

£ 3,853,843-24

Stamp duty payable pursuant to section 66 of the Finance Act 1986 on the aggregate amount at 50p per £100 or part of £100 £ 19 270 -00

‡ insert Director, Secretary, Administrator, Administrative Receiver or Receiver (Scotland) as appropriate

Signed

Designation + SECRETARY

Date 28/09/01

Presentor's name address and reference (if any):

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08/10/01